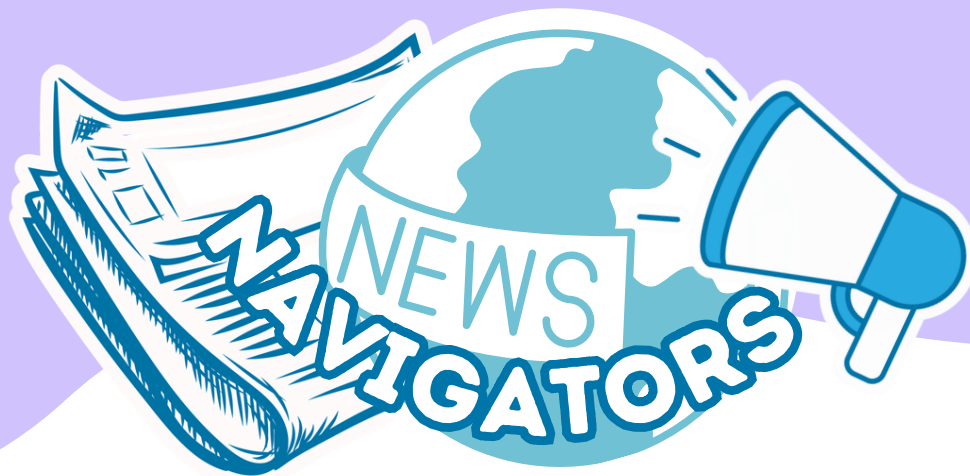




Informed & Engaged Citizen Challenge

How It Works

Each month, complete at least two (2) simple activities related to the News Navigators session. Keep track of your progress on the back of this sheet by checking off the boxes.

Once completed, write your contact information below and return this sheet to the Community Foundation to be entered into a prize drawing!

Return between Oct. 26-Nov. 6, 2026, one of the following ways:

- In-person: Deliver to the CFHC office during business hours:
 - Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Mail: CFHC, 971 W US 40, Greenfield, IN 46140
- Email: Scan and email to info@celebratehancock.org.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____



August complete at least 2

Diving Into First Amendment, Local News, and Civic Engagement

☐ Option A

Read 5 stories from a local news source (like the Daily Reporter) over the course of the month.

☐ Option B

Attend a local public meeting or watch a recording (i.e. school board, city/town council, planning commission)

☐ Option C

Compare how three different news outlets cover the same story (regional, national, or global).

- What information was emphasized?
- What was left out?
- What was similar?

☐ Option D

Read one of the books or watch one of the movies recommended by [The First Amendment Museum](#).



☐ Option E

Talk to someone about where they get their news and what sources they trust.

September complete at least 2

Understanding How Information is Created

☐ Option A

Subscribe to or follow a local information source for one month (i.e. newspaper, community newsletter, etc.).

☐ Option B

Listen to a local podcast or community information source and share one thing you learned with someone.

☐ Option C

Write a short piece of content yourself. Reflect on the value of using your voice and any challenges you encounter.

- Letter to the editor
- Blog post
- Community social media post

☐ Option D

Watch a movie based on a true story of journalists in action.
Examples:

- All the President's Men (1976)
- The Insider (1999)
- Good Night and Good Luck (2005)
- Zodiac (2007)
- Spotlight (2015)
- The Post (2017)
- A Private War (2018)
- Other: _____

October complete at least 2

Navigating & Engaging in Today's Information Landscape

☐ Option A

Verify a claim using at least two independent sources before sharing.

☐ Option B

Read a news story from a source you don't normally use.

☐ Option C

Learn about AI-generated content through [Poynter](#) and identify one thing you'll watch for in the future.



☐ Option D

Discuss a current issue with someone who holds a different perspective and focus on listening and understanding.

☐ Option E

Prior to voting in the 2026 general election, research the candidates and issues on your ballot.

